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SUBJECT: WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

1. PSYCHOLOGICAL: FINAL WEEK OF CAMPAIGNING BEFORE UPPER HOUSE ELECTIONS SAW RISING PUBLIC INTEREST IN ELECTION OUTCOME, WITH MEDIA SURVEYS GENERALLY PREDICTING ADVANCE OF CENTRIST PARTIES. VANCE FOREIGN POLICY SPEECH BEFORE ASIA SOCIETY DREW MAJOR COVERAGE AND CALM, CAREFUL APPRAISALS THAT EMPHASIZED INFERENCE THAT JAPAN SHOULD ASSUME MORE ECONOMIC RESPONSIBILITY.

2. MEDIA RELATIONS: NHK-TV NETWORK'S MID-EVENING "NEWS OUTLOOK" PROGRAM (AUDIENCE; ABOUT 4 MILLION) ON SUNDAY, JULY 3, CARRIED SIX-MINUTE SEGMENT OF ASST SECY HOLBROOKE INTERVIEW ELABORATING KEY POINTS OF U.S. ASIAN POLICY SPELLED OUT IN 6/29 SECSTATE SPEECH IN NEW YORK. JULY 5 WEEKLY "SEKAI SHUHO" CARRIED FULL USIS-SUPPLIED TRANSCRIPT OF AMBASSADOR MANSFIELD'S 6/15 PRESS CONFERENCE. NUCLEAR FUEL REPROCESSING CONTINUED AS ONE OF MAJOR CONTROVERSIES IN US-JAPAN RELATIONS, WITH CURRENT VISIT TO JAPAN OF U.S. TECHNICAL INSPECTION TEAM BEING HIGHLIGHTED IN MEDIA. RECENT COMMENTS BY UNCLASSIFIED

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SCIENCE-TECHNOLOGY AGENCY DIRECTOR UNO TO EFFECT THAT U.S. HAS BEEN NEGOTIATING WITH JAPAN IN BAD AITH WERE EFFECTIVEY COUNTERED BY U.S. TEAM LEADER LAWRENCE SCHEINMAN AT BACKGROUND BRIEFING FOR WIRE SERVICE REPS AT CPAO RESIDENCE. RESULTING IN INFORMED ARTICLES IN ALL MAJOR DAILIES 7/7 INCLUDING FRONT PAGE ARTICLE IN "ASAHI". SPIN-OFF BENEFIT FROM RECENT MPP ON U.S. ECONOMY WAS EIGHT-PAGE SUMMARY IN JAPAN ECONOMIC RESEARCH CENTER SEMI-MONTHLY BULLETIN

OF PRESENTATIONS BY THREE AMERICAN SPEAKERS AND PANEL DISCUSSION.

3. PROGRAM:

A. HUNTER COLLEGE POLITICAL SCIENTIST DONALD ZAGORIA DISCUSSED SOVIET POLICY IN EAST ASIA WITH 48 SPECIALISTS ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND SECURITY AFFAIRS, INCLUDING NATIONAL DEFENSE COUNCIL SECRETARY GENERAL KUBO, DEFENSE ACADEMY PRESIDENT INOKI AND NOMURA RESEARCH INSTITUTE PRESIDENT SAEKI. ZAGORIA ANALYZED BIG POWER RELATIONS IN THIS AREA, SAW WORSENING OF US-SOVIET RELATIONS IN NEAR FUTURE AS SOVIET MILITARY GROWTH COMES TO CHALLENGE AMERICAN POSITION IN PACIFIC REGION, AND MADE PROVOCATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR JAPAN IMPROVING ITS BARGAINING POSITION WITH USSR--THIS PART SPARKING COMMENTARY IN DAILY "NIHON KEIZAI" COLUMN NEXT MORNING.

B. REGIONAL FISHERY ATTACHE JOHNSON WAS PROGRAMMED BY SAPPORO AC FOR INFORMAL DISCUSSION WITH SIX LEADING HOKKAIDO FISHERY REPRESENTATIVES (BUSINESS AND GOVERNMENT) CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION OF U.S. FISHERY CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ACT AND WORLD TRENDS ON FISH RESOURCE CONSERVATION/MANAGEMENT. JAPANESE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT REGIONAL U.S. FISHERY COUNCILS BECOMING TOOL OF LOCAL INTERESTS AT EXPENSE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS. FISHATT JOHNSON EXPLAINED HOW COMMERCE AND STATE DEPT VIEWS ARE REPRESENTED IN THESE COUNCILS. FRANK EXCHANGES TYPIFIED THIS VERY USEFUL PROGRAM.

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C. ONGOING USIS-JAPAN ARTS PROGRAMMING DURING LATTER HALF OF JUNE INCLUDED TWO-DAY CONTEMPORARY MUSIC PROGRAM SERIES AT KHOTO AC FEATURING FULBRIGHT RESEARCHER AND COMPOSER RICHARD TEITELBAUM. LECTURE/DEMONSTRATIONS TREATED WORKS BY IVES, CAGE, FELDMAN, TEITELBAUM HIMSELF AND OTHERS. PROGRAM ATTRACTED FIRST-RATE AUDIENCE OF 350 ARTISTS, MUSICIANS, ARCHITECTS, POETS, MEDIA CRITICS, ACADEMICS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS--SOME FROM AS FAR AWAY AS TOKYO.

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